



# White Knoll Middle School

LEXINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE

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**Principal:** Donald Hardie

**Assistant Principals:** Margaret Schilit, Angela Thom, Daniel Bailey

**Grades Served:** 6–8

**Student Enrollment:** 824

*Empower each child to design the future.*

White Knoll Middle School's (WKMS) vision is "Empowering EACH child to design the future." It is the mission of White Knoll Middle to cultivate a caring community where ALL learners are extraordinary communicators, collaborators, creators and critical thinkers.

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We provide rigorous core instruction in language arts, math, science, and social studies with opportunities for students to participate in accelerated work in language arts and math.

Many of our students head to high school with one or more high school credits in English, Algebra, and/or World Language. We provide multiple supports for our students through special education programs, response to intervention support, and ESOL services. In all three of these areas we are working to have teachers push into core classes to provide timely support for our students. Through our wide range of offerings in world languages, fine arts, and academic connections courses our students have the opportunity to explore their interests and career paths.

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Our instructional model focuses on student engagement and all of our school programs and activities emphasize student leadership. Throughout our building, we implement the principles of 7 mindsets, focusing on building relationships and developing social contracts. Our FLIGHT time curriculum is designed to lead us in working together to create a culture of kindness. Through our partnership with Code to the Future, students in our Computer Science classes and Gateway to Technology classes learn coding skills and explore careers in coding and computer science.

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We are fortunate to serve a community that believes in strong partnerships and effective communication. Our parents are extremely supportive of our work. Our PTSA and School Improvement Council work closely with our school to provide support and our business and faith partners are excellent resources.

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Our staff is fortunate to have access to excellent professional learning opportunities within and outside the district. They also receive hands-on support from our school Curriculum Coach, Digital Learning Coach, and Lead Interventionist. All of our certified staff have been trained in 7 mindsets principles in order to build stronger relationships with our students.